

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Previously Presented): A method for configuring a network, comprising:
 - performing a first configuration for a first device for use in the network;
 - storing first configuration information for the first configuration on a storage device;
 - reading the first configuration information from the storage device at a second device;
 - responsive to the first configuration information being present on the storage device, prompting the user to select whether to clone the first configuration;
 - responsive to the user selecting to not clone the first configuration, generating default values based on the first configuration information; and
 - performing a second configuration for the second device for use in the network based on the default values,
 - wherein the first configuration of the first device and the second configuration of the second device are performed prior to networking the first device and the second device.
2. (Previously Presented): The method of claim 1, wherein performing the first configuration of the first device includes configuring a host application.
3. (Original): The method of claim 2, wherein the first configuration information includes a host address.
4. (Previously Presented): The method of claim 3, wherein performing the second configuration of the second device includes configuring a client application to communicate with the host application at the host address over the network.
5. (Previously Presented): The method of claim 4, wherein the host application is selected from a list of possible host applications for the client application and wherein the list of possible host applications is derived from previous configurations.

6. (Previously Presented): The method of claim 1, further comprising:
storing second configuration information for the second configuration on the storage device.
7. (Canceled)
8. (Previously Presented): The method of claim 1, further comprising:
responsive to the user selecting to clone the first configuration, copying the first configuration information to the second device.
9. (Original): The method of claim 1, wherein the storage device is a floppy disk.
- 10-17. (Canceled)
18. (Previously Presented): An apparatus for configuring a network, comprising:
means for performing a first configuration for a first device for use in the network;
means for storing first configuration information for the first configuration on a storage device;
means for reading the first configuration information from the storage device at a second device;
means, responsive to the first configuration information being present on the storage device, for prompting a user to select whether to clone the first configuration;
means, responsive to the user selecting to not clone the first configuration, for generating default values based on the first configuration information; and
means for performing a second configuration of the second device for use in the network based on the default values,
wherein the first configuration and the second configuration are performed prior to networking the first device and the second device.

19. (Previously Presented): The apparatus of claim 18, wherein the first configuration configures a host application.

20. (Original): The apparatus of claim 19, wherein the first configuration information includes a host address.

21. (Previously Presented): The apparatus of claim 20, wherein the second configuration configures a client application to communicate with the host application at the host address over the network.

22. (Previously Presented): The apparatus of claim 21, wherein the host application is selected from a list of possible host applications for the client application and wherein the list of possible host applications is derived from previous configurations.

23. (Canceled)

24. (Previously Presented): The apparatus of claim 18, further comprising:
means, responsive to the user selecting to clone the first configuration, for copying the first configuration information to the second device.

25. (Original): The apparatus of claim 18, wherein the storage means comprises a floppy disk.

26-32. (Canceled)

33. (Previously Presented): A computer program product, in a computer readable medium, for configuring a network, comprising:

instructions for performing a first configuration for a first device for use in the network;

instructions for storing first configuration information for the first configuration on a storage device;

instructions for reading the first configuration information from the storage device at a second device;

instructions, responsive to the first configuration information being present on the storage device, for prompting the user to select whether to clone the first configuration;

instructions, responsive to the user selecting to not clone the first configuration, for generating default values based on the first configuration information; and

instructions for performing a second configuration for the second device for use in the network based on the default values,

wherein the first configuration and the second configuration are performed prior to networking the first device and the second device.

34. (Canceled)

35. (Previously Presented): The computer program product of claim 33, wherein performing the first configuration of the first device includes configuring a host application.

36. (Currently Amended): The computer program product of claim ~~[[36]]~~ 35, wherein the first configuration information includes a host address.

37. (Currently Amended): The computer program product of claim ~~[[37]]~~ 36, wherein performing the second configuration of the second device includes configuring a client application to communicate with the host application at the host address over the network.

38. (Currently Amended): The computer program product of claim ~~[[38]]~~ 37, wherein the host application is selected from a list of possible host applications for the client application and wherein the list of possible host applications is derived from previous configurations.

39. (Previously Presented): The computer program product of claim 33, further comprising:

storing second configuration information for the second configuration on the storage device.

40. (Previously Presented): The computer program product of claim 33, further comprising:

instructions, responsive to the user selecting to clone the first configuration, for copying the first configuration information to the second device.